country. Based on this study it is estimated that about 20 million persons work on a paid or volunteer basis in these NPOs.

(b) It has been the standing policy of the Government to encourage growth of NPOs and to support their activities in all aspects of socioeconomic and cultural development. Accordingly, financial support is provided to NPOs from time to time by the Government for which necessary provisions are made in the annual budget of the Central and the State Governments. The maintenance of database of NPOs/NGOs has been initiated in the Planning Commission in coordination with the concerned agencies under the Central and State/UT Governments in pursuance of a recent decision of the Committee of Secretaries.

Allocation of foodgrains to Himachal Pradesh

*497. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of rice and wheat allocated to Himachal Pradesh from the Central Pool from 1999-2000 to date under the Central Welfare Scheme, year-wise and district-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by Government to ensure that allocation is utilized for the welfare schemes only and not diverted to black market?

THE MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) and (b) The Scheme-wise allocation of foodgrains to Himachal Pradesh under various Welfare Schemes between 1999-2000 and 2002-03 and the information available, district-wise, from the authorities concerned are given in the Statement-I to IV *{See* below).

Welfare Schemes are implemented by the Nodal Ministries and the concerned Departments of the State Governments and UT Administrations who have set up supervision and monitoring mechanisms to prevent misappropriation/misutilization of the allotted foodgrains. As and when specific complaints are received, Teams are deputed by the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution to tour the areas in question. The irregularities pointed out by the Teams are brought to the notice of the State Government for immediate remedial action. No matter relating to diversion of allocated foodgrains in Himachal Pradesh has so far come to notice.

Statement-I

Mid Day Meal

(Fig. in tonnes)

District	1999-2000		2000-01		2001-02		2002-03	
	Wheat	Rice	Whea	Rice	Wheat	Rice	Wheat	Rice
Bilaspur	—	1211.6	—	1125.5	—	1082.3	—	1018.8
Chamba	—	1920.2	—	1864.9	—	2023.8	—	1975.3
Hamirpur	—	1204.9	—	1143.3	—	1114.7	—	1067.1
Kangra	—	298.6	—	2934.7	—	242.8	—	3610.4
Kinnaur	—	298.6	—	191.7	—	242.8	—	251.7
Kullu	—	1569.9	—	1369.2	—	1526.4	—	1500.9
Lahol Spiti	—	110.3	—	74.0	—	95.9	—	95.9
Mandi	—	3148.7	—	2258.0	—	3016.7	—	2893.8
Shimla	—	2303.0	—	1707.3	—	2298.7	—	2053.3
Sirmor	—	1932.9	—	1736.2	—	1902.8	—	1897.3
Solan	—	1531.0	—	1152.5	—	1531.7	—	1484.0
Una	—	1504.6	—	1051.6	—	1394.5	—	1350.6
TOTAL:	—	20826.1	—	16608.9	—	20058.1	—	19199.1

Statement-II

Anna Puma

(Fig. in tonnes)

District	2001-02		2002-03	
	Wheat	Rice	Wheat	Rice
Bilaspur	26.4	32.0	—	45.1
Chamba	49.3	69.0	—	85.2
Hamirpur	43.8	40.0	—	55.0
Kangra	139.1	121.0	—	171.6
Kinnaur	8.0	10.4	—	7.0
Kullu	31.6	25.6	—	39.0
Lahol Spiti	20.9	7.4	—	5.2
Mandi	91.7	82.4	—	113.8
Shimla	71.7	67.9	—	87.4
Sirmor	23.0	54.6	—	48.2
Solan	43.1	35.7	—	53.2
Una	40.4	23.0	—	49.9
TOTAL:	589.0	569.0	—	760.6

Statement-III

Sampoorna Gramin Rojgar Yojana (SGRY)

(Fig. in tonnes)

District	2001-02		2002-03
	Wheat	Rice	Total
Bilaspur	1114.0	172.0	1589.0
Chamba	790.0	1062.0	2439.0
Hamirpur	560.0	, 340.0	1622.0
Kangra	1828.0	820.0	3451.0
Kinnaur	0.0	946.0	1842.0
Kullu	0.0	1440.0	2167.0
Lahol Spiti	0.0	752.0	190.0
Mandi	814.0	1092.0	2904.0
Shimla	304.0	1188.0	2230.0
Sirmor	580.0	320.0	1824.0
Solan	220.0	750.0	2136.0
Una	976.0	186.0	1410.0
TOTAL:	7186.0	9068.0	23804.0

*The allocation of foodgrains is allocated in terms of total foodgrains.

Statement-IV

Allocation of foodgrains under other welfare schemes during 2002-03

(Fig. In tonnes)

Scheme	Wheat	Rice
SC/ST/OBC Hostels	2920.0	4380.0
Wheat Based Nutrition Programme	2140.0	1880.0
Nutritional Programme for Adolescent girls	933.0	—